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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-28 were pending. Upon entry of this amendment, amending claims 1, 11, 19, and 25, claims 1-28 remain pending consideration.

Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) claims 1-7 and 10-16 stand rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0120639 (U.S. Patent No. 6,879,988) published for Basin et al. (hereinafter "Basin") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,160,544, issued to Krause et al. (hereinafter "Krause") and in further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,771,384, issued to Laverty et al. (hereinafter "Laverty"), claims 7 and 17 stand rejected as being obvious over Basin in view of Krause, in further view of U.S. Patent Publication 2003/0140065 to Lovvik et al. (hereinafter "Lovvik"), and Laverty, claims 8-9 stand rejected as being obvious in view of Basin, Krause, Lovvik, and claim 8 stands rejected as being obvious in view of Basin, Krause, and in further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,772,338 issued to Hull et al. (hereinafter "Hull"), claims 19-24 stand rejected as being unpatenable over Basin in view of Lovvik, Krause, and Laverty, claims 25-26 stand rejected as being obvious over Basin in view of Laverty, and claims 27-28 stand rejected as being obvious over Basin in view of Laverty and Hull.

Applicants aver that no new matter has been entered with this response.

Examiner Interview

Applicants appreciate the interview with the Examiner on August 3, 2006, where Applicants discussed amendments to the claims and the cited references in general.

§103 Rejections

Claims 1, 11, 19, and 25

In the office action, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), the Examiner rejected claims 1-7 and 10-16 as being anticipated by Basin in view of Krause, in further view of Laverty, rejected claims 7 and 17 as being obvious over Basin in view of Krause, Lovvik, and Laverty, rejected claims 8-9 as being obvious in view of Basin, Krause, Lovvik, rejected claim 18 over Basin in view of Krause and Hull, rejected claims 19-24 as being unpatenable over Basin in view of Lovvik, Krause, and Laverty, rejected claims 25-26 as being obvious over Basin in view of

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Laverty, and rejected claims 27-28 as being obvious over Basin in view of Laverty and Hull. In the Office Action, the Examiner asserts that Basin in view of Krause, Lovvik, Laverty, and Hull discloses each element of claims 1, 11, 19, and 25 referring to paragraphs 35-37, 39, and Figures 4 and 9 et seq. of Basin, column 3 and 4 et seq. of Krause, Figs. 7 and 16, and cols. 12, 14, and 22 et seq. of Laverty, paragraph 5 et seq. of Lovvik, and col. 7 et seq. of Hull. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections.

Applicants submit that that claims 1, 11, 19, and 25 as amended, are allowable as the cited references alone or in combination fail to disclose or suggest each element of the amended claims. For example, claim 1 recites in part, "retrieving references to first level content files from [a] content package file, wherein the first level content files are separate files from the content package file... replacing references to the first level content files in the content package file with the content extracted from the first level content files to create a combined file ... removing the references from the combined file... creating a preview of at least a portion of the content package file based on the content in [a] combined file, wherein information rendered by the preview displays at least some of the content extracted from .. first level content files and content from the content package file, wherein the preview displays a version of the content package modified with the content from the combined file, wherein the preview occurs prior to generating a modified content package file from the combined file".

Claim 11 recites in part "code for fetching references to first level content files from the content package file, wherein the first level content files are separate files from the content package file...code for replacing references to the first level content files in the content package file with the content extracted from the first level content files to create a combined file...code for removing the references from the combined content file...code for generating a preview of the content package file based on .. content in the combined file, wherein information rendered by the preview displays at least some of the content extracted from .. first level content files and content from the content package file, wherein the preview displays a version of the content package modified with the content from the combined file, wherein the preview occurs prior to generating a modified content package file from the combined file".

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Claim 19 recites in part "a portal server that fetches references to content files from a content package file, wherein the content files are separate files from the content package file, fetches the content files associated with the references, replaces the references to the content files with content extracted from the content files to create a combined file, removes the references from the combined file...and creates a preview screen of the content package file and the content files using the combined file...wherein the preview screen displays the modified version of the content package file prior to the portal server importing the content package file and the content files from [a] client".

Claim 25 as amended recites in part "obtaining references to first level content files from a content package file, wherein the content files are separate filed from the content package file...extracting content from first level content files referred to in a content package file...replacing references to the first level content files and the one or more lower level content files with at least some of the extracted content to generate a combined content file representing a modified version of the content package file".

Basin discloses a ZIP file which is different than the claimed content package file as the files referred to in the ZIP file are encapsulated as part of the ZIP file. A content package file is relational data structure that contains references to other content files that are not part of the content package file. While Basin may teach the review of file lists extracted from the files in the ZIP file, extraction of selected files from an archive file and opening an extracted file in a viewer, those steps do not necessarily include the replacement of references with content from content files that are separate files, or the creation of a preview displaying the result of processing the content package file before it is processed into a modified content package file, nor does Basin appear to suggest such operations. A listing of files and icons might be construed to be references to files, but those do not include content of the files. At most, Basin teaches the presentation of a list of files and allows the user to open a package and view a listing of the files therein. In other words, as disclosed in Basin, if a ZIP file included a file A and a file B on a client, and the content of source file for A at the source (server) was changed such that file A is now file A1, the ZIP file has no connection to the source file and would not change file A to file

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A1, but would simply show file A and file B until a user deleted file A from the ZIP file and added file A1 to the ZIP file from the source.

Basin, Krause, Lovvik, Laverty, and Hull alone or in combination do not disclose obtaining references to content files from a content package file, obtaining the content files referenced, extracting content from the content files, replacing references in the content package file with the extracted content to create a combined file, removing the references from the combined file, and creating a preview of a combined file where information rendered by the preview displays at least some of the content extracted from the first level content files that were referenced in the content package file, where the preview is a display of the content package file after processing into a modified content package file (emphasis added), on the contrary Basin discloses extracting a ZIP file that includes files that are encapsulated in the ZIP file, where the files once encapsulated in the ZIP file are part of the ZIP file and are therefore disconnected from their respective source files. Krause discloses at most a preview of a file's content in abbreviated form (See Krause, Fig.1 and 2), Lovvik teaches a method to receive a ZIP file and accessing a central directory of the ZIP file as it is received (See Lovvik, Figure 3), and Hull discloses a portable wireless device used to wirelessly transfer data between a portable capture device and another device where a candidate file on the capture device writes over an older version of the file on the other device, or marks the candidate file transferred as a new version (See Hull, Fig. 3, col. 7 lines 44-52). Laverty at most discloses an online ordering system where a customer goes to a website and selects a particular product to order. The website loads a particular order form for the selected product. The customer enters the data they wish on a business card. The website then transmits the data to the system to generate a print ready file and creates a PDF file unchanged for a customer to review and accept. If the customer wishes to change the information, they go back to the order form and change the information which is then output in a preview file. The preview file is a processed file (i.e., PDF), and not a preview of an unprocessed file as it would appear when processed (See Laverty, Abstract, Fig. 3, col. 10, line 60 through col. 11, line 48).

Applicants submit that for at least the reasons stated above, claims 1, 11, 19, and 25 are allowable over the cited references.

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Dependent claims 2-10, 12-18, 20-24, and 26-28

Claims 2-10 which depend from claim 1, claims 12-18 which depend from claim 11, claims 20-24 which depend from claim 19, and claims 26-28 which depend from claim 25 are allowable for at least the reasons discussed above in relation to claims 1, 11, 19 and 25, as well as the limitations they recite.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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